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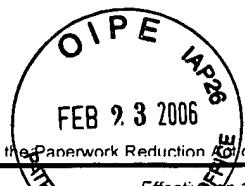
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Design           | 200         | 100          | 100         | 50           | 130              | 65           |
| Plant            | 200         | 100          | 300         | 150          | 160              | 80           |
| Reissue          | 300         | 150          | 500         | 250          | 600              | 300          |
| Provisional      | 200         | 100          | 0           | 0            | 0                | 0            |

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Multiple dependent claims  Small Entity Fee (\$): 360  Fee (\$): 180

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